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News

As a school we are always looking to widen our skill set for the benefits of your children. This week, Miss Talbot and Miss Parker have completed training to achieve the Mental Health First Aider Award. Congratulations to them both on their successful completion.

Please remember **parents' evenings are next week** and you should have booked your appointment time.

Tuesday - Indigo, Scarlet, Rainbow, Emerald, Sapphire, Crimson, Ruby, Yellow classes.

Thursday - Red, Violet, Purple, White, Orange, Blue, Green classes.

If your child has a SEN Support Plan, please see Mrs Cooke or Miss Batten during your visit.

Attendance



Whole School - 96.3% **Highest Classes** - Indigo and Orange with 99.3%
Children with 100% - 395



It is important to take your child to the GP when you are concerned about their health and wellbeing however, they don't need to visit for minor illnesses. It isn't necessary for them to attend a GP appointment with a minor illness like a cough or cold as well as a sickness or diarrhoea bug. We would recommend taking your child to the GP if they have a high temperature for more than 2 days which cannot be improved with medication, if your child has had repeated bouts of sickness or diarrhoea for more than 3 days or if they have had a cough or ear ache that has not improved for more than 4 days. Please speak to your pharmacy or visit the link below (the NHS picture) for further advice. Where possible appointments should not be made during school time. Routine check ups at the dentist and opticians can be made after school, at the weekend or during the holidays if it isn't urgent.



Ready

Be ready for school, be on time and dressed appropriately with the items you need for the day.

Respectful

Listen to others, use appropriate language, look after the building and objects within. Keep hands and feet to yourself.

Safe

Follow the rules for health and safety for yourself and others. Be in the right place at the right time.

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Safeguarding

This week's safeguarding information will help parents understand a bit more about some of the chat apps that children may access. Please be aware of the legal age requirement for the use of some of these apps - click on the picture for more information.

Useful Information

Our guide this week is about speaking to children about worrying content that they may have seen online. Young people are so connected to the world through their devices and may view online content that worries you. The guide has practical advice on broaching upsetting subjects with young ones, allowing them to express their concerns and helping them to avoid becoming overwhelmed by their fears. Follow the link for the guide - <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/upsetting-content>

Friends of Balby Central Need You!

Friends of Balby Central are holding a volunteer expression of interest afternoon on Monday the 16th October at 2:45pm, everyone is welcome.

We are looking for volunteers to help at our Halloween disco events, if anyone would like to help out please contact the school office or drop in to the meeting to find out more information.

All help is always greatly appreciated and the more help we get the more we can offer to our children. Thank you

Rockstars Day

A huge thank you to all the parents and children who took part in Rockstars Day. It was amazing to see all the costumes, and the smiles on the children's faces made the day. The children really enjoyed a rocking assembly, where we rocked out to Queen and Def Leopard amongst others.

Children then took part in an inter-school competition enabling them to improve their times tables skills. Well done to those children who made the leader board - currently the top 5 children are Lexi in Y5, Anjali in Y5, Advika in Y5, Egor in Y2 and AJ in Y4.

Well done all!



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**Stronger Families
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**We Support, we Care, we
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**Doncaster
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**Are you worried about your child's mental health?
Is your child struggling with self-confidence and self-
esteem?**

**Do you have concerns about your local area and
community?**

**Would you like to talk to someone about additional support
for your family?**

Come to our school & community coffee morning

Wednesday 18th October 8:45 till 10:00

With me in mind is a mental health service to support children and parents in Doncaster with anxiety, low mood and worries and they will be sharing how you can support your child with any emotional or mental health worries.

Representatives from Stronger families, our local Police Community Support Officers (PCSO's) and friends of Balby Central will also be on hand to answer any questions and give advice.

Come along for a cuppa and cake and chat with the team.

For more information contact Mrs Wiltshire or Mrs Parker at school

Year 3/4 Football Competition

On Wednesday this week, our selected Y3/4 children took part in a very wet football competition. All adults who attended commented that the children were a credit to the school and certainly showed the Ready, Respectful and Safe values we expect at Balby Central. Well done boys!

